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Mechteld G.M. RUTTEN : **EASY-OPEN PEEL SEAL**
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**LETTER RE COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION ENTERING U.S. NATIONAL
STAGE IN U.S. ELECTED OFFICE (EO/US) UNDER 35 USC 371**

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Attention: DO/EO/US

Sir:

In response to Document PCT/DO/EO/905 regarding "Notification Of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 In The United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)" and mailed 05 November 2001, attached hereto are the following documents to complete the United States national phase of the above-identified application:

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I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

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1. the Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application executed by the inventor on January 9, 2002,

2. the required copy of the above-mentioned "Notification" to be returned with response, and

3. a copy of a Request For Extension Of Time for late filing the oath or declaration and the extension fee being filed concurrently herewith.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. The original and two copies of this Letter are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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